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10 INVENTION:

METHOD, SYSTEM AND COMPUTER PROGRAM

FOR COMPRESSING AND TRANSMITTING IMAGE

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SIR:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above mentioned application for United States Patent.

DISCUSSION OF RELEVANCE

Enclosed for the Examiner's review is a copy of the six references cited in the International Search Report. The Examiner's attention is directed to the International Preliminary Examination Report wherein all claims are found to meet the three standards of patentability over the cited prior art.

Also enclosed for the Examiner's review is a copy of the references

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present application, and further references

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Favorable consideration of the enclosed art is hereby requested.

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